## NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION VAUGHN CASCADE COUNTY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

July 24, 2020

The Montana Department of Environmental Quality has reviewed the above-named project. The project consists of constructing a 150,000-gallon storage tank, installing over 1,500 feet of water mains including valves, fittings, and surface repair to loop dead ends, and electrical and control system improvements. The project area is in the community of Vaughn, Montana, and within the Vaughn Cascade County Water and Sewer District boundary and outside the District boundary but in areas where existing water system infrastructure is located.

Pursuant to ARM 17.40.318, the Department has concluded that the proposed project meets the Categorical Exclusion criteria of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the Montana Environmental Policy Act (MEPA). The Categorical Exclusion may be revoked if the project is not initiated within the time period specified in the planning documents, a new or modified application is submitted, new evidence demonstrates serious local or environmental issues exist, or state, local, tribal, or federal laws are violated. The documentation for the Categorical Exclusion is available for public review at the following locations:

Department of Environmental Quality State Revolving Fund Loan Program 1520 East Sixth Avenue Helena, MT 59601 Vaughn Cascade County WSD 1161 6<sup>th</sup> Ave. Vaughn, MT 59487

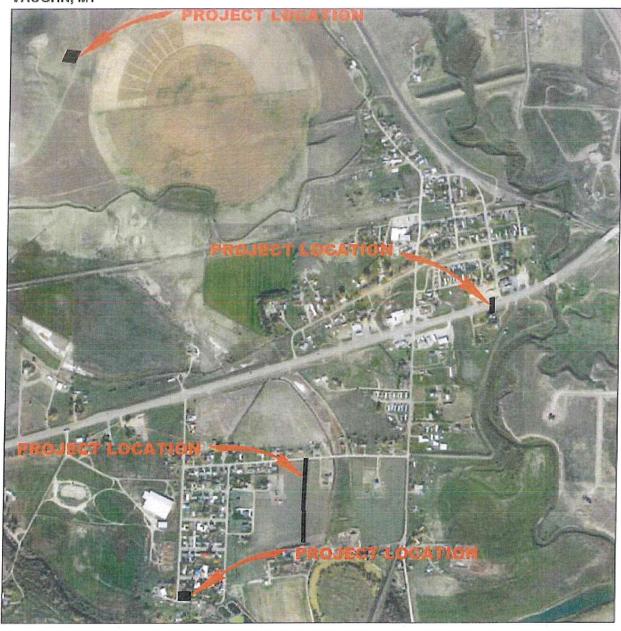
Sincerely,

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VAUGHN, MT



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